## **Kansas Meth Watch Program Workshop Presented to 23 States**

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The Kansas Meth Watch Program has become the model for meth prevention programs for retailers in

many states. The Consumer
Healthcare Products Association
(CHPA) is expanding what KDHE has accomplished to develop a national Meth Watch Program. CHPA is producing a non-state specific training video, developing a national Meth Watch Web site, and providing training opportunities and resources to states

interested in implementing the Kansas



Meth Watch Program. With the help of KDHE and Prevention and Recovery Services (PARS) of Topeka, CHPA has organized a national Meth Watch Training Workshop to introduce other states to the program. KDHE and PARS will assist CHPA in presenting the workshop to be held in Washington, DC July 8 and 9 at the Fairmont Hotel.

Presently CHPA is paying travel costs for representatives from 23 states interested in implementing Meth Watch Programs. A partial list of states confirmed to attend include the following: IA, IL, NC, TN, AL, CA, MO, MI, GA, WV, MN, IN, AR, CO, UT, AZ, and SC.

Attendees to the conference will include state teams that represent law enforcement, retailers, health departments, prevention professionals and

community leaders. KDHE staff assisting with the training will present the history, background and process Kansas went through to develop the Meth Watch Program and its current administrative methods. Follow up



breakout group discussions will provide attendees the opportunity to exchange ideas on program implementation, future improvements, and nationwide cooperative efforts.